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In re Patent Application of

Yoji ITO

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For: OPTICAL COMPENSATORY SHEET
COMPRISING TRANSPARENT
SUPPORT AND OPTICALLY
ANISOTROPIC LAYER

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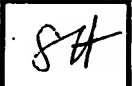
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby submit the attached information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore no fee or statement is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

The Examiner's attention is directed to copending application number 09/925,305, naming as inventor Yoji ITO, and filed on August 10, 2001, a copy of which is enclosed.

 In accordance with MPEP § 609(c)(2) (February 2000, page 600-107), the Office is requested to return a copy of this Information Disclosure Statement with the Examiner's initials adjacent to this paragraph indicating that this copending application has been considered. By citation to the copending application, confidentiality is not waived and the Office is requested to maintain the confidentiality of the copending application under 35 U.S.C. § 122.

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